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Consumer Price Index – October 2014

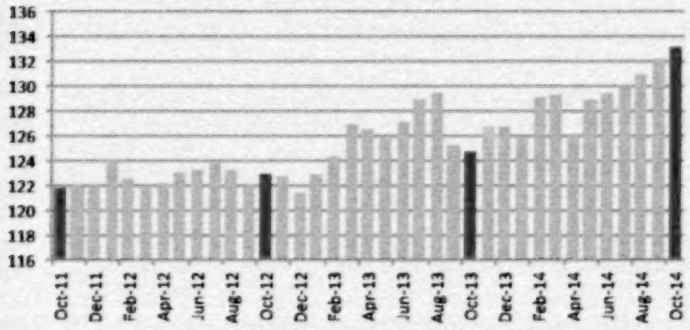
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 2.1% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 2.4% for Canada, 2.8% for Edmonton and 0.6% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	14-Oct	14-Sep	13-Oct	14-Sep	13-Oct	13-Nov 14-Oct	12-Nov 13-Oct	% Change
Yellowknife	129.0	128.7	126.4	0.2	2.1	128.1	125.9	1.7
Canada	125.9	125.8	123.0	0.1	2.4	124.8	122.6	1.8
Edmonton	132.8	132.3	129.2	0.4	2.8	131.4	128.7	2.1
Whitehorse	124.3	124.9	123.6	-0.5	0.6	124.4	122.5	1.6

Over the one-year period, consumer prices increased for most major components in Yellowknife with the exception of clothing & footwear and recreation, education & reading. The largest year over year change was a 6.9% increase in the water, fuel and electricity component of shelter. The price of energy, which includes electricity and fuel oil and other fuels sub-components, increased 5.4% from one year ago.

CPI - Food from Stores
Yellowknife, October 2011 to October 2014



Contributing to the October 2013 to October 2014 increase was a 6.7% rise in food from stores. While the price of food from stores has fluctuated over the past two years, the overall trend has been upward. Recently the trend has been more defined as prices have steadily increased over the last five months.

CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centers are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: December 19, 2014.

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Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	14-Oct	14-Sep	13-Oct	% Change from 14-Sep	% Change from 13-Oct
All Items	129.0	128.7	126.4	0.2	2.1
Food	134.2	133.1	127.4	0.8	5.3
Food from Stores	133.1	132.1	124.7	0.8	6.7
Food from Restaurants	136.9	136.0	134.0	0.7	2.2
Shelter	151.2	150.6	147.3	0.4	2.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	203.8	203.7	190.6	-	6.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	111.8	112.4	111.4	-0.5	0.4
Household Operations	120.5	121.1	120.3	-0.5	0.2
Household Furnishings	93.9	94.5	93.3	-0.6	0.6
Clothing & Footwear	99.1	100.1	101.9	-1.0	-2.7
Clothing	91.2	93.0	95.9	-1.9	-4.9
Footwear	92.4	93.1	95.2	-0.8	-2.9
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	148.4	145.0	140.6	2.3	5.5
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.2	110.2	109.4	-	0.7
Transportation	123.6	121.7	120.8	1.6	2.3
Private Transportation	123.0	121.2	119.9	1.5	2.6
Public Transportation	129.4	126.8	127.5	2.1	1.5
Health & Personal Care	119.0	120.1	116.6	-0.9	2.1
Health Care	114.9	116.5	117.3	-1.4	-2.0
Personal Care	123.1	123.9	117.0	-0.6	5.2
Recreation, Education & Reading	99.6	101.1	100.8	-1.5	-1.2
Recreation	95.0	96.6	96.9	-1.7	-2.0
Education & Reading	127.4	128.2	124.2	-0.6	2.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	164.4	164.1	158.9	0.2	3.5
Alcoholic Beverages	148.7	148.3	145.0	0.3	2.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	181.4	181.4	172.6	-	5.1
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	128.0	127.8	126.2	0.2	1.4
Energy	123.4	123.1	121.4	0.2	1.6
Shelter	119.9	119.7	117.8	0.2	1.8
Alcoholic Beverages	128.5	128.2	126.0	0.2	2.0
Tobacco Products	127.9	127.7	125.5	0.2	1.9
Housing (1986 Definition)	138.9	139.4	136.1	-0.4	2.1
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	193.5	193.5	183.5	-	5.4
Electricity	189.4	189.4	175.5	-	7.9
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	270.5	270.5	252.7	-	7.0
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	159.7	159.7	158.4	-	0.8
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rec'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Note: Additional indexes are available from the Time Series Retrieval and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.
Source: Statistics Canada